(d) what is the expected time of com pletion of the work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRO-DUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL); (a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The scheduled date of commencement of construction and the expected date of completion were 1. 1. 84 and 1. 1. 85 respectively, as per the work order issued.

(c) and (d) The total construction involves 5 platforms of which construction over 3 platforms has been completed and the construction over the fourth is in an advanced stage of completion. The construction over the fifth is expected to be completed by March, 1987. The construction had to be taken up in a phased mannor since the available space is also used for keeping material and as such the site was available in part at a time.

Construction of working shed and parking site at Ordnance factory, Jabalpur

22. 75. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it i_s a fact that construction of Hard standing, washing shed and parking site at Ordnance Factory, Jabalpur, in Madhya Pradesh, which was expected to be completed by October, 1985, is still in progress;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for delay in this regard; and

(e) by when it is likely to be comple ted? ... "

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRO-DUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Yes, Madam.

Th_e construction of Hard standing! washing shed|parking site at Vehicle Factory Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh was expected to be completed by 4 Dec. 85 as per the Administrative Approval issued on 4. 8. 83. The work is still under progress.

(b) The site is a_n active area of the factory and has to be concurrently used for production purposes.

(c) It is likely to be completed by 31. 3. 87.

Offer of F-20 technologies for the light Combat aircraft by Mis. Northrop of U. S.

2276. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether M|s. Northrop of US have offered F-20 technologies for India's Light Combat Aircraft, as reported in the Indian Express of 23rd August, 1986; if so, whether any deal has been finalised if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) when the Light Combat Aircraft is likely to come out of production lines and the nature of costs involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RE-SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Delivery of productionaircraft is likely to commence by 1994. It is pre mature at this stage to give abreak up of aircraft costs.

Starting of Janavani programme for State Governments

2277. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Wi'l the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state;

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to start Janavani programme for the State Governments where the facilities of regional TV Centres and Studios are existing; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) Th_e present plan of inter-